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## **Save the date for the Gila County Spelling Bee!**

GILA COUNTY – The Gila County School Superintendent Roy A. Sandoval is proud to announce that this year's Gila County Spelling Bee will be held on Thursday, February 20, 2020, at Payson High School Auditorium, 301 S. McLane Road, Payson, Az. 85541 at 1:00 PM.

The Gila County Spelling Bee is a public event, sponsored by the Gila County School Superintendent's Office. Everyone is encouraged to come out and show their support of the talented students as they compete to represent our county at the state competition, which will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at Arizona PBS, 555 N. Central Ave., Phoenix 85004. Twenty-seven students from around the state will compete for the chance to represent Arizona in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. in late May.

Spelling bees are a great American tradition; they provide an excellent way to promote and honor academic achievement and excellence. Bees can help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabularies, learn concepts, and develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives.

We hope to welcome you to this year's Gila County Spelling Bee!

For more information on the Gila County Spelling Bee, please contact Vanessa Barajas by phone at 928-402-8788 or by email to [vbarajas@gilacountyaz.gov](mailto:vbarajas@gilacountyaz.gov). You can also find information on this and other upcoming events at [www.gilacountyesa.org](http://www.gilacountyesa.org).